

1 AN ACT relating to park rangers.

2 ***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

3 ➔Section 1. KRS 148.056 is amended to read as follows:

- 4 (1) The commissioner of parks, in his discretion, may employ and commission park
5 rangers as the commissioner deems necessary to secure the parks and property of
6 the Department of Parks and to maintain law and order and such employees, when
7 so commissioned, shall have all of the powers of peace officers and shall have ~~for~~
8 ~~all parks property and on public highways transversing such property~~ in all parts of
9 the state the same powers with respect to criminal matters and enforcement of the
10 laws relating thereto as sheriffs, constables and police officers in their respective
11 jurisdictions, and shall possess all the immunities and matters of defense now
12 available or hereafter made available to sheriffs, constables and police officers in
13 any suit brought against them in consequence of acts done in the course of their
14 employment.
- 15 (2) The designation of any such employee as a peace officer shall be governed by the
16 provisions of KRS 61.300 except that he shall not be required to have resided in the
17 county wherein he is to serve for a period of at least two (2) years, and he shall be
18 required to file his photograph and affidavit only with the Franklin county clerk.
- 19 (3) Any employee so commissioned shall be required to execute bond, subject to the
20 provisions of KRS 62.170, for the faithful and lawful performance of his duties.